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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the 3 November 2004 Office Action, applicant confirms his 6 August 2004 election of the Group 1 Invention and the specie of Figs. 6-9 for prosecution in this application.

The Group I claims that read on the elected specie are: 1 amended, 2, 3, 6, 12-14, 30, 32, and 35-39.

Applicant is also entitled to the examination of Group II claims 19 (amended), 22-25, and 31 because those claims are generic and read on the elected specie.

The claims identified in the two preceding paragraphs are considered clearly patentable over the references of record for the reasons discussed in the amendments dated 23 January 2003 and 23 June 2003. It is therefore respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue with those claims.

Signed at Shelton, County of Mason, State of Washington, this 30th day of  
November, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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